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On Behalf Of:  
Committee: Senate Committee On Rules  
Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB4145

I strongly oppose this measure!

This bill comes to you tainted. One of your legislative colleagues did not like the way the vote was going in the house judiciary committee, called a recess in the middle of the vote before casting his vote (the final vote) when it was clear the bill was going to die. He then created a hostile work environment for Rep Tran and caused her emotional distress and caused her to have to revote the way he wanted. This is NOT democracy these are tactics used in third world communist dictatorships!. This is also not the way your colleagues in the legislature should be treated. When a complaint was lodged against this conduct it was casually dismissed even though the victim, Rep Tran was still visibly upset several minutes (at least 15) later when the re-vote was rammed through. I personally observed this watching on remote video on the committee meeting when the vote occurred. To stop a vote in progress for less than an emergency or certain other exceptions of which this was not one, is not allowed according to the rules.

This bill has also been rammed through at lightning speed to not allow many citizens the opportunity for testimony. In the Senate Rules Committee there was only 45 minutes at 90 seconds per citizen allowed for testimony as well as short notice for the hearing. I noted many who did not get the opportunity to testify.

The disenfranchisement further continues with the bill only allowing for legal challenge in Marion County, leaving out over half the state. It also raises fees more than double and more than doubles the delay time. This hurts single women fleeing abuse the most as well as working class people living paycheck to paycheck. I guess you are only worthy of being protected from crime if you are rich.

This bill does nothing to effect criminals who do not obtain their firearms through gun stores. They get them on the black market through fences who bought them from thieves who took them from law abiding victims. It does not raise the penalties for real criminals. It does nothing to raise penalties for firearm theft (a mere property crime). It does re-victimize the victim by charging them an extra fee when they go to replace what was stolen, (permit fee and extended wait time)

The bill does nothing to effect suicide. This is a mental health problem, nothing in this bill bolsters mental health or suicide prevention. There are many other methods to end one's life besides firearms but apparently those don't really matter.

Banning STANDARD Capacity magazines also does nothing. It does not take long to reload a magazine into the firearm. Is something magical about the eleventh bullet? Why is ten the arbitrary number? Most handguns come with a STANDARD magazine capacity of 15-18 rounds, why are you forcing law abiding citizens who are not committing crimes to have to buy LOW capacity, NON STANDARD magazines?

This bill is a complete train wreck please let it die the death it very much deserves.

Thank you for your time